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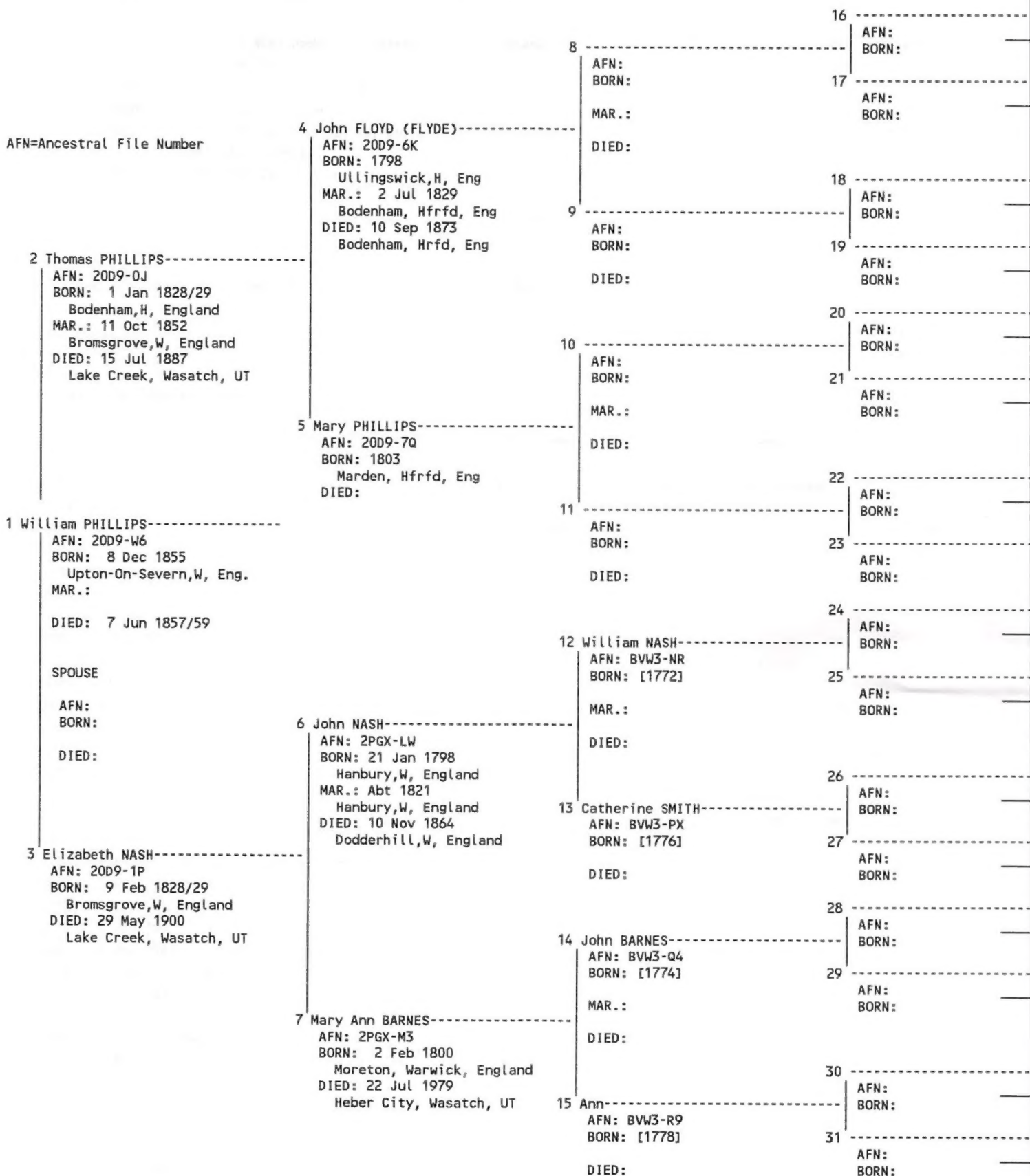
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Chart 1

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The law of Moses is understood through the "spirit of prophecy" or "a testimony of Jesus." In summary, when you study the law of Moses you can expect to find (1) a witness of Jesus Christ and his atoning sacrifice and (2) gospel principles illustrated in the laws given. Many of the laws may no longer be required of the Saints, but the principle taught are eternal and will never be set

Alma 25:16; Revelation 19:10

The law of Moses was given as a schoolmaster or tutor to bring Israel to Christ.

Galatians 3:23-24

The law of Moses was added to the gospel, not given as a substitute for it.

1ST, Galatians 3:8, 19

Institutes of Biblical Law, pp. 10-12.
We shall see numerous examples of case law as we study the Mosaic code.
Second, the law is primarily negative. Eight of the Ten Commandments and many of the other laws deal with what ought *not* to be done rather than with what should be done. Often our culture views negative laws with distaste. We feel they are very restrictive, and we often prefer positive laws which, by assuring our rights, appear to grant freedom. The Israel not to shackle them but to guarantee the greatest individual freedom. Explaining how this is so, one scholar stated:
"A negative concept of law confers a double benefit: first, it is practical, in that a negative concept of law deals realistically with a particular evil. It states, 'Thou shalt not steal,' or, 'Thou shalt not bear false witness.' A negative statement thus deals with a